



# SANDHILLS NEWSLETTER

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Care

Accountability

Respect

Excellent Effort

**School Mission:** Sandhills Elementary School is a safe, fun place where our minds and bodies grow.

June 5, 2024

Written by Students of Sandhills

**Ham & Cheese Pizza Sale**  
**Friday, June 7.**  
**Orders Due**  
**Thursday, June 6 by 10:00 am**



**Library Books Due**  
**Friday, June 7**

Please have your child return any library books they may have by Friday, June 7.



**Kindergarten**  
**Year-end Celebrations**  
**June 12 & 13**  
Kindergarten Celebrations will take place on **June 12 for ECS-M/W & June 13 for the ECS-T/T class.**

Parents will be invited to the year-end Kindergarten celebrations.  
**Details to follow.**

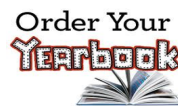
**Kindergarten**  
**Orientation**  
**June 17, 18, 19**  
Kindergarten Orientation for all new Kindergarten students (2024-2025 school year) will take place on **June 17, 18 and 19.** You will receive a call in June with a time for your child to come for orientation.  
If you have a child entering Kindergarten in the Fall, please keep these dates available.

**Lost & Found**  
Any items not claimed by the end of the day of school on June 20, will be taken to the Care & Share.

**KFC Sale**  
**Friday, June 14**  
**Orders Due Thursday, June 13, by 10:00 AM**



**Last Day of School for Pre-K**  
**Friday, June 14**



**Pre-Order 2023-2024 Yearbooks**

2023-2024 yearbooks are available to be pre-ordered for **\$20** each. You can order by filling out the form that was sent home or you can order online at **SchoolCashOnline.com**. To guarantee a 2023-2024 yearbook please order by **June 13, 2024**. Yearbooks will arrive in the Fall of 2024.

**Report Cards Go Home - Friday, June 21**

Report cards will be sent home with students on **Friday, June 21**. Report cards will not be available earlier than this date. Kindergarten report cards will go home **Wednesday, June 12 & Thursday, June 13**.

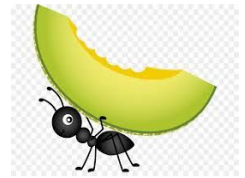




# Sandhills Elementary School

## Year End Fun Day & Picnic Lunch

Thursday, June 20, 2024



Students, parents and families are invited to attend a  
**YEAR END PICNIC LUNCH** on Thursday, June 20, 2024

### Schedule of Events:

9:10-11:50 a.m. - Games/Activities

11:50-1:00 p.m. - Picnic Lunch



Sandhills Elementary School will be providing hotdogs, watermelon and juice boxes.

Hot dogs will be grilled by our school council.



All events/activities will be held outdoors. Please dress accordingly.

Feel free to bring a **lawn chair or picnic blanket!**

If you are able to lend a hand at the Picnic Lunch, please contact the school office at  
780.928.3947, by June 19.



## We hope to see you there!



## SANDHILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

It's not too late to register your child for Kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year. As per Alberta Education regulations, to be eligible to register, students **must be** five (5) years old on or before December 31st of the year of enrolment.

Parents are reminded that the following **3 pieces of information are required** for registration in Kindergarten:

1. **Your child's Birth Certificate or Canadian Citizenship Papers,**
2. **Alberta Health Care Number, and**
3. **Current Land Description (In town - please have your house # and street/avenue ex: 10202 94 Ave; out of town - Rural 911 Address (green road sign).**

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### Pre-Kindergarten (PUF) Program 2024-2025 School Year

The Fort Vermilion School Division offers a **Pre-Kindergarten (PUF) Program** to those children with a severe disability or moderate / severe language delay **who require additional support.**

**The intent of the program is to provide early intervention to address the specific needs of the individual child and better prepare him/her for schooling.**

- To be eligible for the program:
- Children **MUST be 3 or 4 on or before December 31, 2024** to qualify for PUF funding.
  - *Students that are 5 or older on December 31, 2024 are no longer eligible for PUF funding. They will be enrolled in kindergarten classes and have their needs supported within inclusive education.*
- An **assessment by a qualified professional** of a severe disability or moderate to severe language delay must be provided to school authorities.

**Parents/guardians with questions are encouraged to contact the school and speak to Mrs. Gallant.**



Phone: **780-928-3947**

[www.fvvd.ab.ca/our-schools/shes](http://www.fvvd.ab.ca/our-schools/shes)

**Sandhills Elementary School** | 10202-94 Avenue, La Crete

## Second Step Spotlight

### Empathy - Same and Different Feelings



At school and at home, people can have similar or different feelings about the same situation. For example, a child might feel scared to climb up high, and their friend might feel excited. Learning to respect other people's feelings can help children make and keep friends! This week, encourage your child to notice other people's feelings and whether they're the same or different from theirs.

## Why Is Summer Reading So Important for Kids' Success?

Reading is especially important during the summer break. If you would like to see your child maintain their current grade level skills or continue to improve their reading skills we suggest the following:

1. *Ensure your child has access to books.* Make a weekly visit to the La Crete Community Library.
2. *Create A Summer Reading Challenge* by keeping a reading log.
3. *Read with your child.*
4. If your child struggles with reading, *audiobooks are a good choice.*
5. *Complete any workbooks or printing books* that your child has brought home.



### 2024-2025 Class Lists

#### An important Informational item!

You will be notified of who your child's teacher will be for next year in your child's report card.

Parents of next year's

Kindergarten children will be notified by phone in mid to late July, as to which teacher and which days (M/W or T/T) their child will be attending school.



### School Supply Lists

School supply lists and class placements will be available in the report card envelopes on **June 21st.**



JUNO CANADA'S  
MUSIC AWARDS  
WINNER  
GAGNANT

## Peter Puffin Concert - Wednesday, June 19, at 9:30 AM

Peter Puffin is an award winning educator and internationally acclaimed family entertainer who uses music to celebrate caring for the environment and each other, community building, and celebrating the wonderful world we live in! He has previously performed at SHES in the early 2000's. Some of his more popular songs include "Proud like a Mountain" and "Peace Like a River".

Parents are welcome to attend.

